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c. 1738

Kilfadda

536 Green Valley Road (MD 75), Union Bridge

Private

According to Nancy M. Warner's *Carroll County Maryland: A History 1837-1976* (p. 20):

The first grants in the Union Bridge district were "Kilfadda," 200 acres, patented to John Tredane on 14 March 1731, and "Rockland," 174 acres, to Allen Farquhar on 10 June 1734. Farquhar, who probably never lived on his land, gave or sold this land to his son William on the condition that he and his family live there. William Farquhar, a maker of buckskin britches, prospered in Carroll County, owning more than 2000 acres by the 1750s including Tredane's "Kilfadda." The Farquhar family continued to be prominent in the development of the town and district for many generations.

The following is an excerpt from *Pioneers of Old Monocacy: The Early Settlement of Frederick Co., Maryland 1721-1743*, by Grace L. Tracey and John P. Dern, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1987):

In 1753 a new Quaker group developed. Less than five miles away, the Quakers who had settled on Bush Creek were given permission to hold meetings on first days at the home of Thomas Plummer. Their first Meeting House was built in 1757. In 1756 a third group, called the Pipe Creek Meeting, was organized in the area where Union Bridge in Carroll County now stands. William Farquhar was instrumental in helping to establish that Meeting and in uniting it officially in 1775 with what was left of the Monocacy Meeting. He was the son of Allen Farquhar who in his 1738 will had made reference to the then new Monocacy Meeting House. A resident on Dulany's Lot," the elder Farquhar had earlier purchased "Kilfadda" in the Pipe Creek area from John Tredane, and here his sons William and Allen, Jr. had continued to live.

A photograph on file with the Maryland State Archives, dated to c. 1935, is entitled, "Slave house at Kilfadda Farm", Union Bridge. (Accession No.: MSA SC 908-1-381) The photographer is unknown.

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 Union Bridge Quadrangle



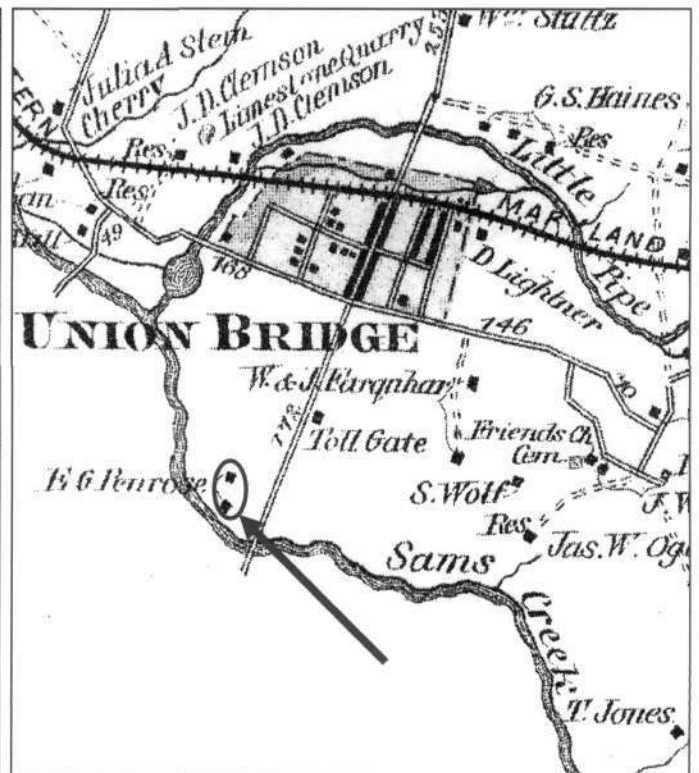
Taneytown 15' quadrangle,  
 1911, reprinted 1944



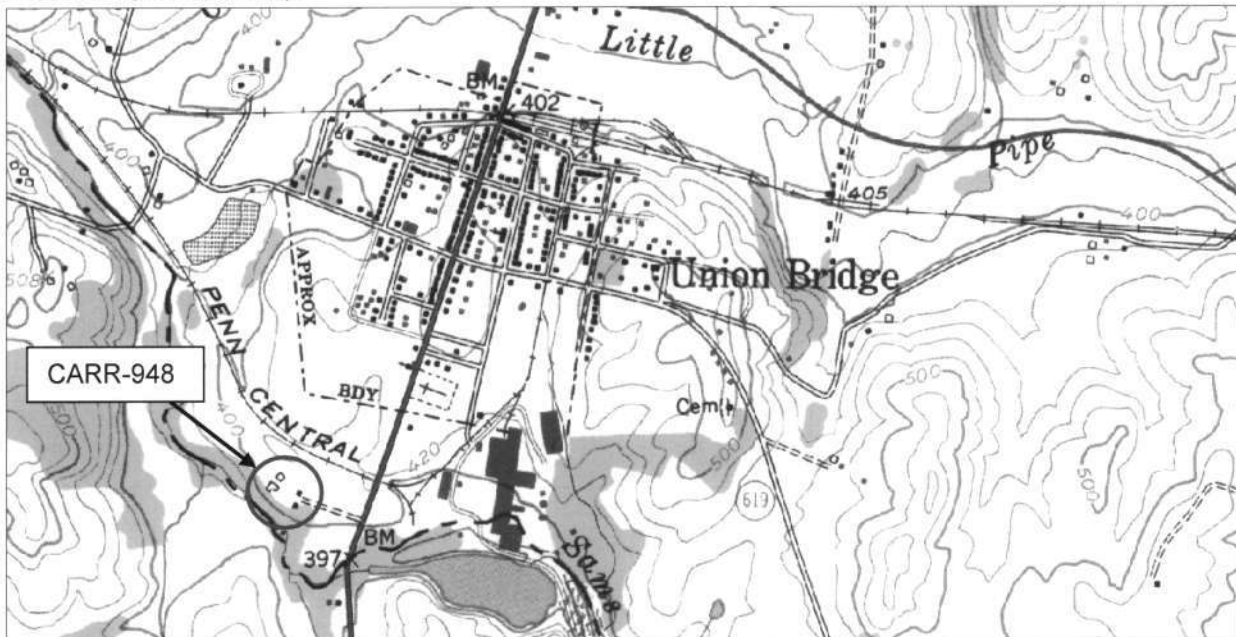
Martenet's Map of Carroll County, 1862



Lake, Griffing & Stevenson Atlas, 1877



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Bing Maps Bird's eye image c. 2009, facing west

